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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 4551

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ETRD NL XF  
SUBJECT: THE NETHERLANDS AND THE ARAB BOYCOTT

REF: THE HAGUE 4345

1. ON AUGUST 15 WE HAD A FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH  
HARRY VAN DEN BERGH, LABOR PARTY MEMBER OF THE SECOND  
CHAMBER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY  
COMMITTEE WHICH IS INVESTIGATING THE EFFECTS ON DUTCH  
FIRMS OF THE ARAB BOYCOTT. VAN DEN BERGH SAID THE  
COMMITTEE IS PRESENTLY MAKING A GENERAL STUDY AND  
INVESTIGATION OF THE SUBJECT. IN ABOUT 60 DAYS THAT  
PHASE WILL HAVE BEEN FINISHED AND THE COMMITTEE WILL  
THEN DECIDE ON ITS NEXT STEP; IT WILL EITHER CONTINUE  
ITS INVESTIGATION BY REQUESTING VARIOUS COMPANY  
OFFICIALS TO APPEAR BEFORE IT TO DISCUSS THE BOYCOTT  
OR IT MAY MOVE DIRECTLY TO PROPOSE LEGISLATION. IN  
EITHER CASE, VAN DEN BERGH'S GOAL IS SOME LEGISLATION,  
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HOPEFULLY THIS WINTER.

2. THE PRESENT PHASE OF GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS WILL INCLUDE  
TWO DAYS OF TESTIMONY BY A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS AT A  
CLOSED HEARING ON AUGUST 30 AND 31. AMONG THOSE WHO WILL  
APPEAR ARE DAN HALPERIN OF THE ISRAELI MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
AND BURTON JOSEPH OF MINNEAPOLIS, APPEARING IN HIS CAPACITY

AS AN OFFICIAL OF B'NAI B'RITH. THE MFA (VAN ARKEL) HAS  
CONFIRMED TO US THAT THE HEARINGS ARE SCHEDULED AS INDICATED  
BY VAN DEN BERGH AND THAT HALPERIN AND JOSEPH ARE TO APPEAR.  
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